

## Town of Mansfield Proclamation in Honor of Earth Day

WHEREAS the global community now faces extraordinary challenges, such as global health issues, food and water shortages, and economic struggles; and

WHEREAS all people, regardless of race, gender, income, or geography, have a moral right to a healthy, sustainable environment with economic growth; and

WHEREAS it is understood that the citizens of the global community must step forward and take action to create a green economy to combat the aforementioned global challenges; and

WHEREAS a green economy can be achieved on the individual level through educational efforts, public policy, and consumer activism campaigns; and

WHEREAS it is necessary to broaden and diversify this global movement to achieve maximum success; and

FURTHERMORE, let it be known that the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut hereby encourages its residents, businesses and institutions to use EARTH DAY to celebrate the Earth and commit to building a sustainable and green economy;

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut, hereby pledges this Earth Day, April 22, 2011, to support green economy initiatives in Mansfield and to encourage others to undertake similar actions.

Elizabeth C. Paterson

Mayor, Town of Mansfield